Ref. EIC/IC/INFO/22 Almaraz nuclear power plant

19 September 2017

Dear Mr. Dominguez Collado,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Implementation Committee under the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (Espoo, 1991) and its Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment (Kiev, 2003).

At its thirty-ninth session, held in Geneva from 5 to 7 September 2017, the Committee considered the information of 27 January 2017 by the Portuguese political party Pessoas-Animais-Natureza concerning the planned construction of a temporary spent fuel storage facility at the Almaraz nuclear power plant in Spain (EIC/IC/INFO/21).

To enable its further consideration of the matter, the Committee requested me to write to you to request to the Government of Spain to provide clarifications about:

(a) the construction of the temporary spent fuel storage facility at the Almaraz nuclear power plant in Spain (the planned activity), including its location, technical parameters and the current status; and

(b) the process and the outcomes of the transboundary environmental impact assessment procedure carried out by Spain in relation to that planned activity.

You are kindly invited to provide the information to the secretariat by no later than 30 October 2017, for the Committee to consider at its next session.

Yours sincerely,

Romas Svedas
Chair, Implementation Committee,
Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context
Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment